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The Advance Agent of Arbitration.

One of our London dispatches yesterday contained food for unpleasant refleccritical analysis. It stated that "the impression that the people of the United States are determined to pick a quarret with nonebody is gaining ground quite rapidly in Europe, especially within the last lew days: and it is being industriously festered by the English press."

The report goes on to say that "It is in portant that this fact be promptly recsenzed in America, and as promptly dealt with, for it is just as easy to damage the reputation of a nation as of an individual, and the consequences are much more serious." Probably this second quotation furnishes the key to the situation. The "Sherman" note is the text upon which the press of Great Britain and the Continent are preaching the sermon of "Yankee implence" and hospite intention. Both the text and the sermon are inspired from the neighborhood of the British foreign office, and for the shrewdest rea-

We have send between the lines of the "Sherman" note, and are convinced, as would have been framed or sent in the offersive introduce in which it was conched If there had not been a purpose to be subserved by just such a violation of the ethics and amenities of diplomacy. This conviction received early carroboration, when it became apparent that business and social relations went on just the same between the American embassy in Lonthe latter's official aston nt and indignation at the receipt of such a document. Therefore, the suspicion is mevitable that the noble marquis was ascapacity, and that, privately, he knew all about the note before it was sent; in short, that it was part of a prearranged acheme of diplomacy, carefully designed and prepared to hew the way to a new

The episode follows too closely the gen eral outlines of the preparatory play made to open the way to the Olney-Pauncefote treaty altogether to escape such a deduction. In that connection we had a Venezuelan war measage, followed by a war scare among the "business interests," and a pence petition scare among all the obt ladies, both male and female, in the rural districts; but the scare was not wild and bloody snough to land the arbitration treaty, with all its villainy of concealed purposes against the American people. It would be desirable, therefore, at this time, in view of the renewed intention to force such a measure upon the country, to construct a war scare amply hig enough to make assurance double sure.

So we agree with Lord Salisbury that he and his government are to be insulted, and that he is to sound the tocsin of alarm to Europe! We are to be threatened with discipine at the hands of a huge European condition. Everybody is to be frightened; but the Hanna Administration is to be permitted to make the Eagle scream until after the Ohio election. By that time the Congress will be almost due to return, and before it comes our Hanna and other natriots will smoothe their battle front. and consent to avert the hideous horrors of a fratricidal war and meet Great fritain more than half way in a treaty of arbi tration; one that will subject our national interests, ambitions and bonor to the pohee jurisdiction of a European menarchical gritumal :

It is a clever though treasonable scheme. but it will not work!

Different When Britain Grabs.

In the eyes of Great Britain and Europe it is a very impudent and intolerable thing for m to tiank of annexing the Hawalian islands, at the urgent petition of their government and people Such a thing is called "Yankee insolence," and the proper way to meet it is to inspire Japan with a wild desire to oppose and perhaps to fight it. How different it is when voracious Britain does anything in the annexation

Only a few days ago the announcement was made that a British warship had visited and that its commander had hoisted the British flag on three large islands of

the Solomon group, in the southwestern Pacific Lord Salisbury no doubt would ay that nobody ought to object to his anexation of inconsidered cannibat islands; but he or his subordinates have made unkind remarks about the views of the inresiling natives of Hawaii, who are repented to much prefer Liliuokalani and long pig to either Dole or Uncle Sam. Hence, if native opinions are worthy of respect, it is not improper to remark that the natives of the Solomon isles are sup posed to number 167,000, and that their country-now his-is a natural paradise with something like the soil, climate and

productions of Cuba, only in a superior way This Solomonic movement on the part of Great Britain has not been met with protests from Japan, or anybody. Nobody has shricked that it is calculated to destroy the ""status quo" to the Pacific Ocean It is quite a matter of course. Is it not custom, practice, and precedent for England to seize an island wherever she finds one, just as it is for an Irishman Orders by mail must be accompanied by sub- at Donnybrook to hit a head wherever he sees it?

But when the United States attempts to nanex a few islands at the request of their inhabitants, that at once raitles the balance of power in the Pacific, illustrates an aggressive foreign policy, and a desire to pick a quarrel with some body, and all the rest of it. Is not this sort of thing becoming a trifle monotonous?

Exposure of a National Robbery. The thanks of the country are due to Senators Morran and Harris for their exnosure of one of the most corrupt and rescally administrative jobs that the history of this pution discloses. Perhaps the connection between the Administrations of Cleveland and Hanna, through the people and interests identically conrolling both, could not have been more forcefully and fearfully illustrated than in the determination of the present Republican resignates to carry out the Pa

cific Reliway steal, conceived and all

but perpetrated by themselves under the late

The crime referred to and attempted is of struple proportions and easily extion, as well as material for careful and plainable. It consisted, and still consists, of the proposition to turn over the Government's interests in and control of the Union Pacific Rallway to what is emphoniquely called a "reorganization committee." committee," for advertising purposes, is a matter of public record. Its real composition would not be complete without adding the names of several or more persons presumably representing the rights and interests of the American people in the promises, but who, in common with the other committeemen, are booked to come in for a division of the stolen millions, in

case the scheme of national high way rob-

hery can be consummated.

In trief, tide is what is proposed: The Government is to turn over its interests. privileges, and rights in the Union Pacific railway for \$18,015.850. The net debt of the company to the United States, on the day of the deal, was \$52,756,195. Naminally, the 'reorganization committee is supposed to bid \$45,754.059 for the property. In fact it does nothing of the are many other Americans, that it never kind. There is a sinking fund in the hands of the Government, aggregating \$17,738,209, which in settlement belongs to the United States as against its claims on the subject matter. It is now posed to give the "reorganization comnattee" credit for, or rather a free gift of, this sum, to make up its bid of \$45,754,059 So the whole business, as stated, is to be nanded out to the combination of Wall don and Lord Salisbury notwitissianding street "reorganizers," and corrupt public servants and ex-servants, for the struct sum of \$28,015,850. The unulterable perfidy of this project.

is as plain as the nose on a man's face tonished and indigunat, only in his official. The "reversa nization committee," including neonle in public life whom we will not designate at this moment, has arranged erty, which is to cost them a trifle over \$28,000,000, as follows: They will have known that! £100,000,000 of 4 per cent bonds, \$61, 000,500 of common stock, and \$75,000, 000 of preferred stock. This property and franchises, amounting to \$61,000,000 in all, including the assumption of a first mortgage lien of \$33,560,000, they will a shadow of doubt that it is worth and will pay the fixed charges on the \$100 .-000,000 bends and the \$75,000,000 preferred stock. Under good management and in better times it would pay a dividend on the common shares as well. Consequently the profit of the combined Wall street and governmental plunderers (active or retired) would be at least the difference between the \$61,000,000 paid and assumed and the sum of the bonds and preferred stock. That would aggregate an immediate profit and plunder of \$114, 000.000

Does anybody wonder that the efforts of Senstors Morgan and Harris to expose this gigantic scheme of robbery are opposed and obstructed by every device known to parliamentary practice whenbacked by a desire to loot the nation of \$114,000,000?

It should be borne in mind that the gentlemen ostensibly included in the formation of this "reorganization" committee are all "sound money men;" were all much interested in the election of Mr. McKinley. and are earnest supporters of the Hanna Administration. By carrying out the secret Cleveland Union Pacific deal, they, and their coparceners who pose as some thing else, would be benefited in the colos sal sum named, and some more campaign

debts would be wiped out. But will the country stand it?

The Uncrowned King.

The Ass Laureate of England remarked a his immortal, historical, horticultural and hydrocephalous work on the subject of the Queen's jubilee, that Her Majesty's ambition was to be "not great, but good." By the law of contraries it might be predicted that her probable successor, Albert Edward, Prince of Wales, would be not good but great; that though he might not devote himself to strictly plous works, he would bring his massive brain to bear on the glory of England, so that the result would be truly dazzling. Under the omparatively maid greatness of his | before January 1 next

joining country have become absorbed in English goodness, and there is no telling what the mighty masculine intellect of an English king would do in that line. Lately, by cable, we received hints of this. All London wastalking of the Prince of Wales. He had taken steps toward securing for himself a crown, since the conventional bendgear of royalty was still secored with bonnet-pins on the head of his mether, he had, so it was said, started a new

type of hat. This would have been conclusive proof of his neighty grasp of ideas, for in observing the history of hats for the last undred years it is difficult to conceive of any possible shape which will stay on the human head which has not had its day. And sure enough, search reveals that the Prince of Wales' bat, which was a fluffy beaver, with a broad, curled beim, was in vogue many years ago: about the time his princely father came to live at Windsor. The prince was not so original, after all, and a weight was lifted from the minds of the New York chappies, for If the prince had taken to being original, these devoted souls would all have had to go and commit suicide.

Now, after all this to-do about hats, and rowns, and brims, and abdications, comes the cable that the Queen is not going to abelicate; the Prince of Wales is not to act as King; the Prince of Wales has not even invented a new bat. He hasn't studied deeply on bats, basn't thought of bats, never bothers with bats at all except for ordinary wearing purposes, so this latest cablegram says. And the public mind, which thought it perceived a faint indication of the particular genius of the next King of England, is forced to settle back into dim uncertainty. It looks as if the Prince of Wales might never have a crown; might never be immortalized even in a hat crown, night not even wear his mother's beanet. It is sad for that little court of his, the New York changles, but their chances of becoming peers are dully apgrouching the edge of the limitless borizon

Effects of the coming tariff outrage already are visible in the east. In New York woolen goods are quoted at 10 per cent above the prices of one year ago. Carpet dealers assert that all lines handled by-them are shortly to be marked up, and there is general expectation in trade circles The constitution of that that the cost of nearly every commodity will be much enhanced within a month or so. This is sail news for the poor

> The New York Herald of yesterday pub ished a picture of the proposed museum to be emeted in Bronx Park, under the auspices of the board of park commissioners. According to the cut, the building is to be the sincerest flattery of Mr. John L. Smithmeyer, who designed the new Congressional Library, because undoubtedly it looks like an imitation.

Mr. Vest is of the opinion that the Hon. Thomas B. Reed of Maine was beaten in the conference committee and did not know it. Mr. Vest is mistaken. This was not the first time that the Autocrat has acted like a bear. Similarly, it is not the first time that be turned up on the bull side. It will be an arctic occasion when the combenetien of Thomas the Autocrat and Marons the Peacemaker is beaten without their knowledge or consent.

The superhuman efforts of the late David R. Hill and other gold advocates to keep national issues out of the campaign in Greater New York continue unabated Some of the gold men on the State commit ratio rank and file that the party be kept true to its principles and platform, publicly as well as privately. The chances seem to be that the rank and file will control the situation.

And now we are assured that the Klondike gold field is not in Alaska at all. to reorganize and recapitalize this prop- but in the British Northwest Territory Why, certainly; of course, we might have

Even the tariff has caught the gold fever, and is moving up the Yukon The Canadian customs authorities are arrangdike and will collect duties on all the capitalize at \$236,000,000. There is not American goods and supplies brought by the miners on their way to Tom Tiddler's ground Probably the tenderfeet will pay, but the old hustlers are just as

> Navy Department gossip has it that three navai vessels will be sent to replace the two we now have in Hawalian waters. Admiral Miller is expected to sail by passenger steamer on August 5, to take command of the station. It is to be regretted that, on account of the need of boats for the Spanish police patrol on the Atlantic coast, there are not many warships or gunboats to spare for the Pacific.

MINERS GOING TO MICHIGAN. Idle Men From the East Seeking Employment West.

Houghton, Mich., July 21 .- Several hunred miners from Ohio and Pennsylvania Estaminous coal districts have reached here in the past few days in search of work and report that thousands more are ng down by representations of prosperity in the copper district.

It is true the local mines are working more men than ever before at highest wages paid east of the Rocky Mountains. but there are already 2,000 idle men in the district and the prospects for coal miners securing employment here are infinitely small. Unembloyed miners coming here will inevitably meet with great hardships

The Mozart Bust. New York, July 21.-It was determined today by Park Commissioner Detmer, of Brooklyn, and a committee of the United Singers that the Mozart bust, recently won by the Brooklyn society at the singing contest in Philadelphia, would be placed in the neighborhood of the flower garden in Prospect Park, the exact spot to be designated by Fred. Olmstead, the land-

Topeka, Kan., July 21.-The Santa Fe with orders for cars to ship the Kansas Nearly two the men are employed in the Topeka shops. It is estimated 40,000,000 bushels will he shipped to Chicago and New York

CAPITOL NEWS AND GOSSIP.

Now that there have been so many messes at the exact time when the Senate would reach a vote on the conference report, it will be interesting to know that Mr. Platt of New York said yesterday Saturday night. Mr. Piatt's guess was

warding Mr. Powderly besides insisting that the Innuigration Communities shall report his nomination favorably. The President may appoint him after the adjournment of Congress, and the outlook is that Mr. McKinley will have to resort the Commissioner General of Immigration. The labor interests are nearly solid against him, and the evidences of that fact are multiplying in the profests against con-Sirmation being filed daily with the com-The question of the nomination of Mr. Powderly has been so long before the public, and the reasons against it having been already so forcibly presented, and the nomination having never theless been made, it is evident that nothing can stop the President's intention to give Mr. Powderly the job.

Alabama and Georgia fairly swarmed round the Senate wing yesterday. also gave one the opportunity of noting the gallantry of the Georgia and Alabama Senators Mr. Pettus, who, by the way, re-joices in the title of the juntor Senator from Alabama, appeared in the Senators' gallery convoying two or three doz Alabaeou benuties Mr Pettus probably thought be had stolen a march senior Senster from Alabama, Mr. Morgan so. Just as soon as Mr. Pettus and the Alubama girls were seated, Mr. Mor. gan arose and made one of the best speeches of his life. The visiting Aladians had divers reasons to be pleased with their Sounters

When the Georgiaus called it should have been the pompadour Senator from that State who should have acted as escort. But Mr. Clay was absent and so Mr. Bacon was called out. He received that party. which finally landed in the gallery in rivalry with the Alabams crowd. There were some very pretty girls in each battallon, but which State deserved the pate, is another story.

in the ladies' gallery. Wednesday p. m. After Senator Bacon's speech. First Lady-Isn't it perfectly dreadful? and Lady-What? The speech?

F. L .- No; the tax on the cotton ties. S. L.-Why, half a cent on cotton ties is nothing. I heard Senator Jones say three weeks ago that Japanese silk ties were to be taxed 700 per cent. I don't think it is worth while washing any sympathy on the people of the South. I don't believe there sone of them not able to wear a cotton tie at a half a centuax. This tariff, my dear, is going to hurt as up North, where we wear imported thinese and French goods. In the South they make their own ties.

Senstor Vest rapped it in vesterday, when he taunted the Republicans with letting works of art, etc., in free for private count, and making them dutiable if to used in any way for the enlightenment of the public He accused the Republican party of being one of retrogression, while t charged the Democrats with provincial sen and ignorance. Mr. Vest prophested that it would not be long before the ocracy would be leading the boasted Republican civilization out of the dark-

neering tour in South Carolina. For the first time in sixty years the candidates for the United States Senatorship in that State are talking about the tariff. All of the properts of Mr. McLaurin chain to be disciples of Mr Tillman, or "coat-tail swingers" in the hand-painted Palmetto ver nacular. All of them except Mr. McLaurin swear they are for "tariff for revenue 'only' was stricken out purposely at tee think it can be done; but there is a and he indersed the new policy. Mr. Tillgeneral and angry demand from the Demo- man and Mr. McLaurin appear to be standing on the Chicago pistform, while Mr. McLaurin and the Chicago platform.

STRANGE CAUSE OF DEATH. Keresene Oil on Mrs. Samuelson's

Hair Spontaneously Ignited. London, July 21 .- The use of kerosens as a stimulant for the hair is becoming common in Europe, and already several persons have either lost their lives or cising proper care in the use of the prepa-tion. The latest victim is Mrs. Samuelson, a daughter-in-law of Sir Bernard Samuelson, a welt-known engineer ing to guard the passes that lead to Klon- burned to death in the halr-dresser's shop in Conduit street. quest in the case was held today.

shop, testified that after he had used the oil on the head of Mrz. Samuelson he was teisting her bair to dry it. Suddenly here was a fiash, and he and Mrs Samuelson were wrapped in flames. He declared that the fire must have been of continuous origin, as there was no gas or other Tame in the room. The weather was very hot and the sun was shining room through a skylight The inquest was adjourned.

THE RECEIVERS' ANSWER.

Latest Phase of the Struggle for the B. & O.

Baitimore, July 21.-The receivers of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad filed in the United States court today an answer to the petition filed by the English bondnolders, who ask permission to see the road, with the view of foreclosing the mortgages on the Chicago branch.

The receivers claim that there is no allegation in the petition to show that the receivers are the proper parties to any such suit as that contemplated. It is also denied that the English bondholders are catitled to proceed to the enforcement of the mortgage held by them, and take possession of the road.

These bonds are for the most part secured by a mortgage on the Baltimor and Ohio and Chicago Railroad, a part of the system, and, it is claimed by the re crivers that if an order is passed, should be suits be won, it would be disastrous The receivers claim that the Faltimore

and Ohio and Chicago Railroad is not equipped with relling stock of its own, but operated entirely with locomotives and cars belonging to the Faltimore and Ohio system. The line only extends to South Chicago and bas no termination in Chicago , the terminal there being rented As they are still in the possession of the property and must continue to care for and operate it until relieved, the receivers clain that it would not be good policy to sepa rate the different roads in any way.

A Wife-Beater Beaten. Laporte, Ind., July 21 -Thomas Murboose at midnight last night by a hand of masked men, and after bein bound to a tree, was unmercifully whipped Murray had beaten his wife, and his neigh

bors took this method of inflicting aum-

NEWS OF THE WHITE HOUSE. Currency Message Until the Tariff Bill Is Disposed Of.

"It is probable," said Gen. Gresvenor

ifter he had been with the President for fif teen minutes yesterday. "that the currency sage will not be sent to Congress of the conference report would have been finished last night. (That fact, however, that when the message reached the House the bill that will accompany it will be passible to the Senate. That body will after the Senate acts on the tariff bill." refer it to a committee, and the matter will then be hung up until the next session

of Congress Senator Davis thought that Congress would not adjourn until next Senators Thurston and Allen and Conressman Mercer of Nebraska waited on the President as a delegation represent to that means of making Mr. Powderly ing their State. They wanted the President to take some action which will officially being to the notice of all States and foreign countries the Omaha exposition, to be held next year. The President assured the delegation that he would take the matter under consideration, and would do all that he conscientiously can do to

further the success of the undertaking Mr. Tracey L. Jeffords, former assistant United States district attorney, saw the President for a few minutes, but he did not disclose to any one else the object of his visit. Recorder Cheatham saw the President, presumably in the interest of W. A. Gaines, the colored can-didate for Register of the Treasury.

Senator Platt had quite a long talk with Mr. McKinley concerning New York patronage. The Senator is very anxious to have all of the New York places filled before Congress adjourns, and he crued the President to take immediate action relative to the patronage to go to his State.

Congressman Dingley was in consultation with the President for a long time over the tariff bill, and the matters to be submitted o Congress as soon as this measure is finally disposed of. The advisibility of sending in the currency bill was also discussed. It is understood that Mr bingley assured the President that a bill authorizing the appointment of a curren on could readily be passed by the House. tanator Mason called to see about some

ousalar appointments, and also to orgathe President to appoint an Illin to the position of Comptroller of the Treasury. The Senator claims that Illinois is entitled to this fat office because it had already been tendered W. D. Calborn, of hat State, who declined it-

Senator Lodge saw the President long mough to make another protest against the nomination of J. Rolenson McCready, of Boston, for consul to Montreal Mr. McCready has been a consistent Republi-can for many years, and he has been a a daily visitor at the White House since March 4, endeavoring to secure the coveted appointment. He has good indersements. but, unfortunately, is not backed by Sen-ator Ledge. Mr. McCready is not an adcolter of the Senator, and recently de-clared at the White House that he intended to prevent the return of Senator Lodge to the Senate next year. It is supposed that when the Senator learned of this threat he concluded to renew his opposition to Mr. McCready, Congressman McEwan of New Jersey

called to see the President concerning he appointment of a postmaster at Jerse y City. There are a number of candidates for this position, but none of them please Mr. McEwan.

Mr. Wight Visits the President.

District Commissioner Wight had a conerence with the President vesterday con eming matters relating to the District government, one of which was in reference to the opinion of the Attorney General to the effect that the District Commissioners can obtain no permit from the board of con-trol to establish a reservoir on the Rock reek reservation. It is understood that the Commissioners would like to obtain Congressional legislation that will permit them to build a reservoir there. Some political petronage was, it is understood, discussed during the conference.

McKinley's Candidate for Coroner. The President, it is said, would be greatly leased to see Dr Burch, a son of the manager of the Ebbitt House, appointed Manager Burch and the President have been warm friends for nearly a score of years.

THE GROWTH OF THE CITY.

Report of the Assessors Showing

the Year's Building Statistics. An interesting report showing the growth f the city during the past fiscal year way submitted by the board of assistant as essors to the Commissioners yesterday. The board has been in session for the past two weeks for the purpose of placing valuations upon buildings constructed rithin the year, and the report embodies their constructors. states that there were 996 new

buildings erected in the District dur ng the past year at an assessed value of \$2,478,200. This is an increase of 131 buildings over last year's report. A no-ticeable feature is the fact that the average assessment per building is increasing yearly, thus indicating that a better class of structures is being erected.

Thus in 1895 the average assess per building was \$2,183; in 1896, \$2,250. while this year it took a jump to \$2,689. The assessments have been on the whole highly subfactory as the members of the board state that they have received less

UNCLE SAM'S EXHAUST STEAM.

Commissioners Complain of the Mail Bag Reputr Shop Pipes.

The Commissioners yesterday notified densed steam on the outside of the exhaust pipe of the United States mail bag repair shop, back of the District Build-, drops in the alley between the two biddings and creates pools of water, which are conducive to a general meanitary condition

Steam is also discharged into the samcontrary to law, In conclusion the letter requests the Postmaster General to place a condensing apparatus over the exhaust pape as required by the plumbing regulations.

Hope for Concessions.

London, July 21.-The members of the American Bimetallie Commission express onfidence that concessions of some im portanes will speedily be made by the British government. Paron de Courcel, the French ambassador, who is actively coperating with the commission, is now orging Lord Salisbury to consent to holding of an international monetary conference, at which the British delegrates will consent to an enlarged use of silver.

Poisoned Himself With Gas. New Orleans, July 21.-Jules Prosdame emmitted suicide by gas poisoning at the Hotel Royal yesterday, in consequence of business reverses. He was a Creole, but some years ago became a Jew, in order to marry a Jewess

Medicine Could Not Save Wells. Rochester, N. Y., July 21,-Schuvier C. Wells, of Lercy, N. Y., the well-known Shiloh's Consumption Cure," died at noon

THE SOTHERNS NEAR DEATH. Actor and His Wife Saved From

Drowning. New York, July 21 -Edward H (better known as "Ned") Sothern is pale and Virginia Harned, is in hed, suffering from nervous shock; Joseph Raynor is swoller with pride, and his packets are swollen

with greenbacks. It is not necessary to explain who Mr and Mrs. Southern are, but Joseph Raynor's is a new name on the roll of fame. He is a bold, brown life-saver. He is swollen with pride because he saved the lives of the popular actor and autress. His pocketa are swollen with deliars because just cashed the check for \$500, that Mr Sothern presented to him as a token

ppreciation and gratitude. Raynor has been saving lives for years. It is his beginners. But he never before received such a lurdly "tip" as \$500, or mything like it.

ItaliappenedatLawrence Beach, which is just beyond Far Rockaway ,and cousequently just beyond the frontier of Greate New York

Last Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Sathern and a Woman friend wentints the suff to bothe They were all good awimmets, so, of course they scorned the life lines. They were disporting themselves merrily out in deep water when the actor noticed that the shore had received nonerapidly than their swimming pace seemed to warrant. "Let us swim tack, my dear," be said to

his wife-"All right," she replied. 'Tm a little nred, as it is."

So all three turned their faces toward the shore and swam for home. But it seemed like trying to swim up the Niagara capids ome unseen force seemed to be sucking them down. They were in the undertov Hazdly able to keep his own head above water, the actor shove to support his wif-Turn on your back and float!" he cried to her; but when she tried to obey him sh was spun around like a top, and a series of chappy waves smothered her facegasped for breath and clutched at her hus-bank's arm. The third member of the party was also stroggling depended a guinst the undertow. Not one of them, they afterward confessed, expected to much

But Joseph Raynor had seen them and tore through the water like a torpedu boat. When he reached the distressed trio they were at their last gasp.

How he did it they do not know, and per aps he doesn't. But after a brief ser ons struggle they all found themselves in shallow water, with hardly strength enough to stand upright. Raynor himself, athleb as he is, was on the verge of exhaustion As for Mrs Sothern, she was completely restrated while the rich tan that he usband had been industriously cultivating n his cheeks had given place to a leathers

When Mr. Sothern had recovered his esence of mind he made out a check for \$500, signed it and gave it to Raynor feeling in it than any "lines" Ned Sothern ever spoke on the stage. The life save took an early opportunity of cashing the check, and he has of the acting profession

LEGAL PAPERS MIXED UP.

Serious Accident in the Brooklyn Courthouse.

Brooklyn, N. Y., July 21 .- A peculia accident which hopelessly maxed up 1,000. 000 important documents is likely to paralyze the legal business of this city for

All of the records of the King's county ourts on file in the county cierc's of fice in the half of records were lying in heap on the floor this morning in utter confusion. The tacks containing the files fell at 6 o'clock with a crash. What the onsequences of this accident will be no one would undertake to say. That it will be far reaching in delacing and interferin with the proceedings of the courts is certain

The expense, which is estimated as \$100. 000, of reindexing the papers and putting them in order again is computed as triffing matter compared with the annoy ances that it will put the lawyers and court attaches to.

There were about 1,800 files stowed away in a rack extending along the entre eastern wall, 132 feet, and reaching rom the floor to the ceiling, a distance of twenty feet. It was this rack that tumbled down. It is estimated that the lites contained something over one mil Host papers, consisting of references, di vorce proceedings, transfers, repleving aboptions, petitions, orders, juditments affidavits, summonses, complaints, etc. In fact the racks held all the paper pertaining to proceedings in equity, as me and county courts, the aggregation of the last lifty years

A DISAGREEABLE BUG.

He Looks Ferociously Bad and Emits on Offensive Odor.

Mr. Henry Hektor, of No. 601 Delawa avenue southeast, yesterday captured an excellent specimen of the male rhine beetle on the Long Bridge. The bug is a feroclous looking insect and wears I

The specimen was shown to Prof. Howard, entomologist of the Department of Agriculture, who pronounced it of the monly known to the South. It is, however, he said, rare in this latitude, which is about its northern limit of migration. It is generally found in old stumps caved trees, where it breeds its brevne being a whitish grub. The male is easily distinguished from the femule, the latter being of a solid brownish color and with out horns.

The specimen found by Mr. Hektor Prof Howard said, was an excellent on and measures a little over two inch length. The species, he says, is closely related to the Golials or Hercules f South America, which grows to a length of over six mehes.

The bug has an offensive odor and in the South, where it is found in great au bers, has often caused great worry for this reason. Once in one of the large cities where they gathered in great numbers they caused the health department great alarm the main streets of the city could not be located, and it was thought to be by defective sewerage. It was, however, found to be caused by the Dynaste's Tityus. which infeated the trees in the neighbor

A Buston Luffalry. Doff thy new spectacles. Peregrine, darling one; Minds are but obstacles Luliaby, bushaby, alumber thou fest is the Hushaby, lullaby, never procrasticate

Lay down thy lissen, dear, Browning and Emerson: Sealed be thy cultured ear. Save to my benison Leliaby, husuaby, cherish obedience, Rushaby, Iuliaby, captivate somnoience

Slegfried, Brunchilde fair; Thoughts of the Pilgrims spare Lullaby, hushaby, sleep, denr. till nigh

Hashaby, tullaby, mother's phen

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